

COMMUNICATION METHOD AND RECEIVING TERMINAL
IN MULTICAST COMMUNICATION NETWORK

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A communication method in a multicast communication network constructed including Layer-2 switches and able to selectively distribute multicast packets to only designated receiving terminals (i.e. receivers), comprising providing a multicast receiving terminal discrimination mechanism for discriminating the multicast receiving terminals and selectively distributing multicast packets to only receiving terminals requesting distribution of multicast packets when there are receiving terminal relating to requests under a Layer-2 switch.